## In the Abstract

Please replace the paragraph at page 13 lines 3 to 9 with a replacement paragraph amended as follows:

A method of manufacturing single-crystal semiconductor blocks is characterized in that a plurality of single-crystal semiconductor blocks [[2a]] of a relatively small diameter desired by users are cut out from a single-crystal semiconductor block [[1a]] of a relatively large diameter. With this method, there can also be obtained a secondary effect that even if the large-diameter single-crystal semiconductor block includes defective parts, it is possible to use the small-diameter single-crystal semiconductor blocks cut out from parts other than the defective parts.

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